

§ 401.428 Basic rates and charges for carrying a U.S. pilot beyond normal change point or for boarding at other than the normal boarding point.

If a U.S. pilot is carried beyond the normal change point or is unable to board at the normal boarding point, the ship shall pay at the rate of \$520 per day or part thereof, plus reasonable travel expenses to or from the pilot's base. These charges are not applicable if the ship utilizes the services of the pilot beyond the normal change point and the ship is billed for these services. The change points to which this section applies are designated in § 401.450.

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§ 401.430 Prohibited charges.

No rate or charge shall be applied against any vessel, owner or master thereof, by a registered pilot which differs from the rates and charges set forth in this part, nor shall any rates or charges be made for services performed by a registered pilot, or for support services directly related to the provision of pilotage that a registered pilot requires a vessel to utilize, other than those for which a rate is prescribed in this part, without the approval of the Director.

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§ 401.431 Disputed charges.

(a) Any rate or charge applied against any vessel, owner, or master thereof by a registered pilot which the owner or master disputes as a charge prohibited by § 401.430, may be appealed to the Director for an advisory opinion as to whether such rate or charge is a prohibited charge.

(b) The appeal shall be in writing and set forth the amounts and description of the rates and charges disputed. The appeal must be supported by evidence that a reasonable attempt has been

made to resolve the matter between the parties and that a bona fide controversy exists.

(c) The respondent shall be furnished a copy of the appeal and be notified by the appellant that the matter has been appealed for an advisory opinion.

(d) The respondent shall be allowed a reasonable time, not less than twenty (20) days, in which to file with the Director and the appellant any data or arguments desired to be submitted in further defense of the disputed rates and charges.

(e) The Administration shall consider all relevant matter presented and issue an advisory opinion which shall be accompanied by an express recital that all relevant material received has been considered. The advisory opinion shall set forth the rates and charges in dispute, a discussion of the facts and relevant material considered, and a statement of opinion.

(f) When it is found that the disputed rates and charges, in the opinion of the Director, are charges prohibited by § 401.430, the respondent shall have a reasonable time, but not more than thirty (30) days in which to refund moneys, adjust invoices, and otherwise conform to the advisory opinion.

(g) Failure or refusal to comply with the advisory opinion within the time allowed may form a basis for a determination that there is a violation of the Great Lakes Pilotage Regulations subject to the provisions of § 401.500.

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§ 401.432 Certification of support services.

Each association holding a Certificate of Authorization shall certify each year whether any support service entity is directly or indirectly related by beneficial ownership to that association or to a United States registered pilot who is also a member of that association.

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